



# Driver Ed News

### **REMINDER!**

If you have not received your new instructor card it is because your school district has not submitted an annual program renewal packet for the 2015-16 school year. Please check with your program coordinator and make sure your paperwork has been completed.

**Upcoming Professional Development** 

Boise- February 6, 2016

Twin Falls- March 12, 2016

Lewiston- April 9, 2016

Coeur d' Alene-April 23, 2016

Pocatello-May 7, 2016

# Training teenage drivers often requires a good sense of humor!



Behind the Wheel CONFIDENTIAL is a new video series featuring true, untold stories from Driver Education.

#### AAA "How to Drive" Student textbooks are available in Spanish upon request.

#### **New DE Instructor Course Starts October 12, 2015**

Cost: \$440

Duration: 12 weeks

Classroom: On-line

Credits: 4

Call NNU at 467-8439 to register!

**EDDR53701** - Idaho Driver Education Teacher Licensing

## Teen Seat Belt Challenge

The National Organization for Youth Safety (NOYS) is offering a Fall Seat Belts Save challenge. The challenge is designed to educate teen drivers about the dangers of riding in a car unbelted with the purpose of increasing the number of teens who buckle up and reducing teen deaths. In Idaho, between the years 2008-2012, 106 teens were killed in car crashes; 64 of the teens were not wearing seat belts. It goes without saying that the effect this had on families is immeasurable.

Information about the challenge has been mailed to every high school in Idaho. I would appreciate you encouraging your local high schools to participate. Seat Belts Save is simple to implement, easy to perform and creates an immediate impact. Seat Belts Save may be spearheaded by the student council, a club or as a class project in stats. There are many angles to use to approach the school. The NOYS' website <a href="www.seatbeltssave.org">www.seatbeltssave.org</a> has an Implementation Guide under Challenge Materials. The guide has several great ideas to implement the challenge, and offers high schools opportunities to communicate and encourage their local community to be properly restrained.

NOYS awards prizes to schools that demonstrate the highest seat belt use rate, the greatest increase in seat belt use, and the best education campaigns. The challenge is open to ALL high schools in the United States. Registration is NOW open and closes October 6th.

In the Fall 2014 challenge Jerome High School participated and placed in the top ten nationally. Shelley and Nampa High Schools participated in the Spring 2015 challenge and placed exceptionally well nationally.

If you have any questions or would like to discuss how to get this program implemented in your area, please let me know. Thank you.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call me. Thanks. Sherry Jenkins
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